Watershed Committee (WC) Meeting November 17, 2010, 7:15 p.m. Meeting Notes

<u>Attendance</u>: Steve Cardon, Julie Palakovich Carr, Anne Goodman, WC members; Lise Soukup, DPW Environmental Engineer & staff liaison, Amanda Matheny, Watershed Protection Specialist & staff liaison.

Environment Commission (EC) Updates:

- □ S. Cardon reported:
 - At the last Environment Commission meeting, the group was updated on the progress of the Rockville Pike planning.
 - The group discussed the environmental literacy requirement for county school students.
 - A seat on the Environment Commission has opened up and a review of candidates is down the road. The commission will review previous candidates and will post information for additional people to apply.
 - The Outreach Committee is putting together a magnet regarding recycling.
- J. Palakovich reported:
 - Julie took a trip to Baltimore and was able to see some demo "Green Streets" projects which she found to be very interesting.
 - □ Environmental Mgmt. Division:
 - The division is currently working on developing the FY2012 budget.

Discussion:

The Environmental Management Division was interested in learning the level of time commitment outside of the monthly Watersheds Committee meeting each member had available to work on projects (average 2-3 hours per month). This led into a discussion of the interests of the groups and future projects that could be initiated by the group. The group as a whole appears interested in participating in a mixture of activities from conducting outreach to reviewing projects and policy as needed. At present, the group would like to focus on defining their target audience and the best methods for targeting information to this audience.

A public meeting about the Cabin John Watershed Study will be held on December 14, 2010 in the Mayor and Council Chambers. This meeting is open to the public and will begin promptly at 7pm.

The Watersheds Committee agreed to cancel the regularly scheduled December meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next Steps

The group will be identifying methods of reaching out to the community about watershed issues and volunteer opportunities.

Next WC Meeting

The next Watersheds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at 7:15 pm in the Blue Crab conference room at Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland, 20850.